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### GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

#### Taxes (G) Department

#### NOTIFICATION

G. O. (P) No. 111/2025/Taxes.

*Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 10th June, 2025*

*27th Idavam, 1200*

**S. R. O. No. 690/2025**

*20th Jyaishta, 1947.*

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 24 and 29 of the Abkari Act, 1 of 1077, the Government of Kerala hereby make the following rules further to amend the Foreign Liquor Rules, 1953 issued under Notification No. SR4-1859/52/RD dated 17th January, 1953 and published in the Travancore-Cochin Gazette Extraordinary No. 2 dated 17th January, 1953, namely:—



## RULES

1. *Short title and commencement.*—(1) These rules may be called the Foreign Liquor (8th Amendment) Rules, 2025.

(2) They shall come into force at once.

2. *Amendment of the Rules.*—In the Foreign Liquor Rules, 1953, in rule 13, after sub-rule (6) the following sub-rule, proviso and explanation shall be inserted, namely:—

“(6A) Notwithstanding anything contained in these rules, the Foreign Liquor 6 special licences will be granted by the Excise Commissioner, to hotels having three star, four star, five star, heritage, heritage grand or heritage classic classifications granted by Ministry of Tourism, Government of India and also to boutique hotels on special occasions on the first day of all English calendar months subject to the condition that no other statutory dry day specified in rule 28A falls on that day”.

Provided that the application for such Foreign Liquor 6 special licence shall be submitted at least seven days prior to the day on which the licence is sought for. The licensee shall procure liquor only from FL 9 licensees in the State.

*Explanation:*—For the purpose of this sub-rule, ‘boutique hotel’ means a small but luxurious hotel which is an independently owned establishment that offers personalized service and distinctive design, often reflecting the local culture or history.

By order of the Governor,  
K. R. JYOTHILAL,  
*Additional Chief Secretary to Government.*

### Explanatory Note

(This does not form part of the notification, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

In the Abkari Policy for the year 2025-2026, the Government have inter alia decided that the Foreign Liquor 6 special licences will be granted by the Excise Commissioner to hotels having three star, four star, five star, heritage, heritage grand or heritage classic classifications granted by the Ministry of Tourism, Government of India and also to boutique hotels in connection with MICE Tourism (Meetings, Incentives, Conference and Exhibitions), destination wedding, international conference and other conference on the first day of all English calendar months subject to the condition that no other statutory dry day specified in rule 28A falls on that day. For the above purpose, Foreign Liquor Rules, 1953 needs to be amended suitably.

This notification is intended to achieve the above object.

